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**Mail Stop Patent Application**

Attorney Docket No.: 021791.0110

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Inventors: Michael E. Valant, et al.

For: **POWDER DELIVERY SYSTEM AND METHOD**

Enclosed are:

- (1) 26 pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract;
- (2) 8 pages of Formal Drawings;
- (3) Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 Pages);
- (4) 1 page of a Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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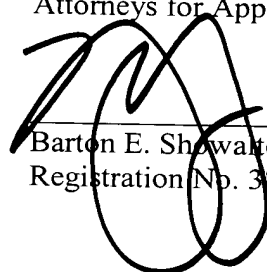
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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST  
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First Named Inventor	Michael E. Valant, et al
Title	POWDER DELIVERY SYSTEM AND METHOD
Atty.'s Docket	021791.0110

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